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Missing family found dead after 13 days at VC Canal

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (VK,RK&BCT)- In a tragic turn of events, a submerged car containing three bodies was discovered this morning in the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) North Bank Canal (VC Canal) after water levels were lowered.

The deceased have been identified as Kumaraswamy (38), his three-year-old daughter Akshara and eight-year-old son Adhwaith, all hailing from K.R. Nagar taluk, who were residing in Bengaluru. The family had been missing since Apr. 17 while travelling from Bengaluru to K.R. Nagar.

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To Our Readers

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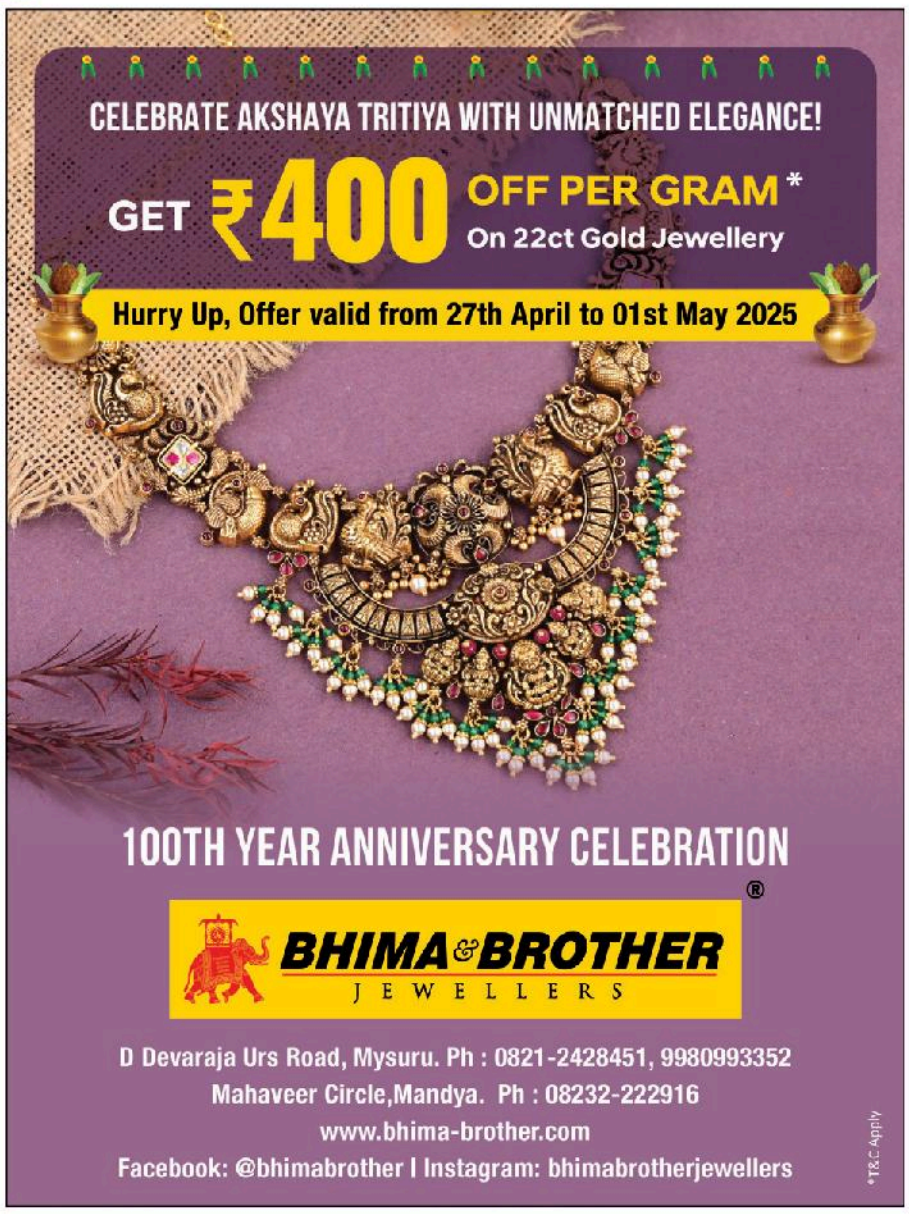
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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 29th April 2025

Intl. Nirantara Kalemane Festival tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr. 29- Kumar Performing Arts Centre (KPAC), Mysuru, has organised its 3rd Annual World Dance Day celebrations and 56th International Nirantara Kalemane Festival, along with the 'Kalemane Kalashree' Award Ceremony, at its Kalemane Sabhaangana in Hebbal 2nd Stage on Apr. 30 at 3.30 pm.

The event will be inaugurated by ISKCON Temple (Mysuru) Vice-President Sri Karunya Sagara Dasa.

The 'Kalemane Kalashree' Award will be conferred on the following personalities: Dr. Manasa, Chairman, Kannada Book Authority (Literature), Dr. K.R. Satyavati, Bengaluru (Bharatanatya); Dr. P. Padmapriya Manikanthan, Chennai (Bharatanatyam); Guru Vidushi Bhavana, Bengaluru (Bharatanatyam).

The cultural performances for the evening include: Bharatanatyam by Guru Bhavana and her disciples from Sadhana Dance School, Bengaluru; Bharatanatyam by Guru Vidushi Nagashree Paneendra Kumar and her disciples from Sri Nataraja Performing Arts Centre, Mysuru; Bharatanatyam by Vidwan V. Mahesh and his disciples from Sri Sharada Dance Academy, Chamarajanagar; Bharatanatyam by Dr. Padmashri and her disciples from Kala Nidhi School of Dance, Mysuru.

Table Tennis Tournament in city on May 4

Mysuru, Apr. 29- A Table Tennis (TT) Tournament has been organised on May 4 at Mahaveer Vidya Mandir, Srirampura, Mysuru, under the aegis of 9SPORTZ.

The Tournament aims to promote TT among students, enthusiasts and veterans in the region.

The tournament will held in the following categories: Under-8 Boys and Girls; Under-10 Boys and Girls; Above 40 Open. The winners will receive cash prizes and trophies.

The last date for registration is May 2.

For details and registration, contact Mob: 83747-00693.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

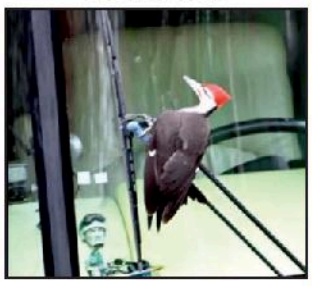
GOD WILL ONLY SHOW THE WAY: ***Sastras classify human activities into good and evil. Helping others and talking gently without hurting are some examples of good deeds. Telling lies and causing harm to others are examples of evil deeds. Sastras also help us perform good deeds. Lord Krishna says shastras are the ultimate authority*** *(Tasmat sastram pramanam tey — Bhagavad Gita* ***Chapter 16 - Verse 24). Saint poet Thiruvalluvar says to hasten to do good and virtuous deeds before the tongue fails and the last hiccup comes*** *(Nachetru vikkulmel —* ***kural 335).***

Thanneer Palli Sri Krishnan Swamy said in a discourse that God is pleased with our good deeds and becomes displeased if we commit evil deeds. God will only create a congenial and conducive atmosphere, and it is up to the people to utilise and exploit the opportunity. To enrich ourselves with self-realisation, we should approach good Acharyas and noblemen. We can't remain idle without trying to say that everything will be as per God's resolve. It will be like a mother who helps her child to walk from crawling, and only the child has to take steps.

The Vedas say those who aspire to liberation should surrender at the feet of God. The Ramayana explains the same concept. All the celestials surrendered to Lord Vishnu to protect them from Ravana's atrocities. Lakshmana surrendered to accompany Sri Rama to the forest. Bharata surrendered to get Sri Rama's divine sandals. Sugreeva surrendered to slay his brother Vaali. Kakasura surrendered to excuse and spare him. Of all the surrenders, the surrender of Vibhishana is considered significant because he surrendered praying for absolute liberation. *— In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Woodpecker damages 25 vehicles



Massachusetts: A Massachusetts town is under siege from an apparently territorial pileated woodpecker being blamed for damaging more than 25 vehicles in the area.

Rockport resident Janelle Favaloro managed to capture a photo of the culprit caught in the act of targeting a vehicle with its jackhammer-like beak.

Favaloro said she knows of at least 25 vehicles that have been targeted by the bird, usually on the side-view mirrors or windows.

"The woodpecker showed up and landed on the windshield wipers of the RV in our yard and was looking at its reflection. And we were like, 'You know what, I bet he was the one that damaged the mirrors, as well,'" she said.

Some residents said they have started protecting their mirrors with plastic wrap or sweaters while the vehicles are not in use.

918 people play Monopoly to break world record

Sydney: A total 918 people sat down at 150 tables to play simultaneous games of Monopoly and break a Guinness World Record in Australia.

The record attempt in Sydney was organised by the Little Legs Foundation, a charity that raises funds and awareness for children with brain cancer, and Sue-Ellan and Marino Vasiliou, whose daughter, Alegra, died of brain cancer at the age of 6 in 2017.

The attempt was the second organized by the Little Legs Foundation, after a previous attempt for the most people playing Monopoly fell 30 people short of the previous record of 733.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Regular, moderate exercise during pregnancy can improve mood, energy levels, and overall health.

By Dr. Amulya K G - Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Bhushans present 'Vachana Vybhava' at Sharana Sahitya Sammelana

Celebrity Bharatanatyam artistes Badari Divya Bhushan and Dr. Anjana Bhushan, along with their sons Abhyuday Dhyan Bhushan and Abhignan Vedant Bhushan, presented 'Vachana Vybhava,' a captivating choreographic work based on different Vachanakaras at Sharana Sahitya Sammelana held at Kalamandira in city.

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Yesterday's level **96.00 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,264.89 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,832.02 feet**
Today's Inflow **117 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **68 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **109 cusecs**
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REALLY...?

- *Bald Eagles can weigh up to 15lb and are between 28-38 inches in size. Their wingspan can reach up to 7.5 feet. (For comparison: an osprey's wingspan reaches up to 6 feet, and a red-tailed hawk's up to 4.8 feet). This expansive wingspan is ideal for soaring, keeping Bald Eagles aloft for longer periods without flapping their wings.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Warden: Is there anything you'd like to eat before the execution?
Condemned man: Mushrooms. I've always been scared to try them.

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 85.26
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 114.37
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.21
1 Euro	= Rs. 97.18

VOICE OF THE READER

Neglect of accessibility facilities at Mysuru Railway Station

Sir,

Mysuru Railway Station, despite receiving several accolades for its services, sadly falls short when it comes to ensuring basic accessibility for all.

It is deeply disappointing to witness the plight of physically challenged individuals, senior citizens and passengers with heavy luggage who are forced to struggle due to the poor maintenance of essential amenities.

Though lakhs of public funds were invested in installing lifts and escalators to aid passenger movement between platforms, the lack of proper upkeep has rendered these facilities largely unusable. What was meant to ease travel has become a source of frustration and discomfort.

The Railways must recognise that accessibility is not a luxury but a necessity. Rather than inadvertently harassing passengers through neglect, they should take immediate steps to ensure regular maintenance and smooth functioning of these facilities. It is time to extend a helping hand and address these avoidable travel woes with urgency and empathy.

—K. Chandrahas
Mysuru
25.4.2025

'Artistry' Jewellery Show at Malabar

Mysuru, Apr. 29- Malabar Gold & Diamonds 'Artistry Branded Jewellery Show,' an exclusive exhibition and sale of exquisite creations in gold, diamond and precious gem jewellery, was unveiled at the Malabar's Mysuru Showroom near KSRTC Sub-Urban Bus Stand in Lashkar Mohalla on Apr. 26 in the presence of its privilege customers Dr. Hemamalini Lakshman, Dr. Sudharani, Nagana, Pushpa Parinitha, Rithu Vishnu, Priya Gowda, South Zonal Head P. Sharafuddeen, Assistant Store Head Muhammed Anshaj and Management Members.

The 'Artistry Show' will be open till May 4. The intricately crafted ornaments are creations of master craftsmen. Each piece illustrates their expertise and ingenious skills, justifying the theme of the show 'Experience Wearable Art.'

This exclusive exhibition will showcase the artistic finesse of handcrafted jewellery with an extensive range of traditional and contemporary designs.

Each piece of jewellery on display at the Artistry Show is unique and a testament to the art and skilled craft of Indian design.

The collection features designs crafted with utmost perfection and a wide variety of pieces from the exclusive brands of Malabar Gold & Diamonds, such as Mine diamond jewellery, Era uncut diamonds, Precia gemstone jewellery, Ethnix handcrafted jewellery, Viraz Royal Polki jewellery and more.

"We are delighted to launch the Artistry Show in Mysuru Showroom and introduce exquisite designs that celebrate the excellence of our jewellery craftsmanship. Jewellery buyers in city can enjoy our products with the assurance of the highest quality, purity and fair prices," said MP Ahammed, Chairman, Malabar Group.

Waqf Board claims: MP visits M.K. Hostel

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (RK&BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar visited the M.K. Hostel premises on Saturday after the Karnataka State Waqf Board issued a notice concerning the historic Narayana Shettar Dharma Students' Home on Vinoba Road.

The century-old heritage property, currently managed by the Vaanika Rathnam Kadabam Mannar Krishnaiah Shetty Trust, functions as the M.K. Hostel.

The official notice, affixed to the M.K. Hostel, claims that the building is situated on Waqf property known as Bismillah Shah Khadri Makaan and alleges that the site has been encroached upon.

The notice further asserts the existence of a 'tomb' near the hostel, a claim that has sparked outrage among the hostel's residents and the public.

During his inspection, the MP interacted with Trust members and examined key documents related to the property, including original ownership records, property tax receipts and proof of its current use.

Acquired 109 years ago, the site remains a vital part of local heritage, housing a hostel run by the community Trust. Stressing the need to protect the property, Yaduveer recommended submitting a formal written response to the notice.

He also spoke with the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner over phone, urging a detailed review of the documents and prompt action to secure the property.

Activists oppose KPTCL's tree removal plan for power infra

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (SPN&BCT)- The Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has proposed installing new electricity poles along Mysuru's Dattagalli route, a plan that would require cutting down of 195 trees near Mangala Sangama Kalyana Mantapa.

In response, activists from Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) submitted a petition on Monday to prevent the tree felling.

MGP Coordinator D.V. Dayanand Sagar, along with members Shobha Sambashivan, environmentalist Bhanu Mohan and their team, met KPTCL Superintending Engineer Ramesh. They urged the Corporation to explore alternatives that would preserve the trees while still meeting the power supply requirements.

According to Dayanand Sagar, letters have been sent to the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) and the Forest Department recommending alternative solutions.

Both departments have reportedly given verbal assurances that a public meeting will be convened to discuss the matter, and no trees will be cut until then.

Environmentalists have suggested using modern cable technologies as a solution. Bhanu Mohan stated that such methods would allow KPTCL to erect the necessary poles without harming the mature trees, a solution that activists would support.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption from May 5 to 7

Owing maintenance works at Doora Power Distribution Centre, there will be disruption in power supply from May 5 to 7 between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas: Bidaragodu, Kembalu Water supply plants, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer Nanjangud Division.

'Mangalya Bhagya' mass marriage

The Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments Department of the Mysuru District Administration has organised 'Mangalya Bhagya' mass simple marriage at Sri Srikanteswara Swamy Temple in Nanjangud on May 22. Prospective brides and grooms may obtain the prescribed applications from Taluk Tahsildar's Office or Category A and B Temples and DC's office Muzrai branch and submit the filled-in applications, along with necessary documents, before 5 pm on May 12, according to a press release from Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy.

Pahalgam terror attack

Mysuru CPI(M), Kannada activists condemn, stage protests

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (PM,MTY, BCT&KS)- The Mysuru City Local Committee of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) — CPI(M) — held a protest last evening, condemning the killing of innocent tourists in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir. Demonstrators lit candles to honour the victims of the terrorist attack.

Protesters gathered at Ramaswamy Circle, raising slogans against the Central Government and demanding peace in Kashmir. Chants of "No war, we want peace" echoed as they accused the Government of failing to curb terrorism.

CPI(M) District Secretary Jagadeesh Surya addressed the crowd, condemning the tragic loss of innocent lives. The attack, which claimed around 26 tourists, has plunged the nation into grief. The party extended condolences to the bereaved families and reaffirmed solidarity with the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Criticising intelligence failures, protesters questioned why no prior warnings were issued despite the Government claims of monitoring terrorism. They demanded stricter counter-terrorism measures and a transparent investigation, urging the Central Government to prioritise humanitarian concerns over political agendas.

Prominent attendees included CPI(M) Mysuru Local Committee Secretary N. Subramanya and Members Rajendra, Mehboob, Jayaram, Balaji Rao, Balram, L. Jagannath, Vinayaka, Subramanya, Krishnappa and others.

Members of the Mysuru City Local Committee of CPI(M) protesting at Ramaswamy Circle in city last evening, condemning the killing of innocent tourists in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir.

Karnataka Senapade stages protest

Condemning the killing of tourists by terrorists at Pahalgam in Jammu and Kashmir, members of Karnataka Senapade, wearing black headbands, staged a protest near the old Deputy Commissioner's Office in city yesterday.

The protestors, who shouted slogans against Pakistan, urged the Government to destroy terror organisations besides demanding the Centre to take the incident seriously and take stern action against the terrorists.

Senapade District President Tejesh Lokesh Gowda, Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara sangha State President C.J. Gangadhar, Women unit President Latha Ranganath, leaders Chandru, Padma, Raghuram, Manjunath, Bhagyamma, Yashodha, Shivakumar and others were present.

The members of Karnataka Senapade, wearing black headbands, staging a protest near the old DC's Office in city yesterday against the Pahalgam terror attack.

Obituary

N. Gopal

Mysuru, Apr. 29- N. Gopal (80), a resident of Nala Beedhi in K.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Bhagyamma, four sons including Congress leader Srinath Babu, one daughter, son-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this noon, according to family sources.

N.R. Sridhar

Nanjangud: N.R. Sridhar (48), son of late P. Rachaiah and a resident of Kurubageri in the town, passed away following brief illness in the town yesterday.

He leaves behind his brother N.R. Nagesh, President of City Congress Committee (Backward Class) and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held near Hadinaru Kalu Mantapa on the banks of River Kapila this afternoon.

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World Immunisation Week-2025

1,467 kids identified for vaccination in Mysuru

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (PM&BS)- The Special Drive as part of World Immunisation Week- 2025 observed from Apr. 24 to 30 has begun and the Health and Family Welfare Department has identified 1,467 children below the age group of five for vaccination in the district.

The annual drive to jab the children to boost their immunity power, is conducted to cover those who had missed zero dose, vaccination against chicken pox, rubella and other diseases, to which they are vulnerable.

For Penta vaccine, 414 children have been identified in the district, MR First Dose Vaccination - 329 and Second Dose - 405, DPT - 5, TD-10 and TD-16 - 319.

Children being vaccinated at Govt. School in Srinagar, Giriyabovipalya, in Mysuru yesterday as part of World Immunisation Week-2025.

In Mysuru taluk alone, 592 kids have been marked for vaccination, followed by H.D. Kote taluk - 247, Hunsur - 177, K.R. Nagar - 41, Nanjangud - 182, Periyapatna - 32, Saligrama - 12 and T. Narasipur - 132.

With the drive launched on Apr. 24, several of the children identified for vaccination have been already jabbed, with 213 camps set at Primary Health Centres (PHC) alone and 173 camps in various other places.

Mysore Airport Runway Expansion

Cabinet's Rs. 100-crore boost to end Centre-State stalemate

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (BCT)- After months of stalled progress, the long-awaited expansion of Mysore Airport at Mandakalli is finally set to take off.

The Karnataka Cabinet has approved the release of Rs. 100 crore to fast-track land acquisition and utility shifting — two major roadblocks that have grounded the project.

The decision, taken at a recent Cabinet meeting held at Male Mahadeshwara Hills in Chamarajanagar, will clear pending compensation payments to landowners and pave the way for extending the airport's runway, which has been stuck in limbo for months.

Currently spread across 490 acres, the Airport requires an additional 46 acres for its first expansion phase.

The runway, which presently limits operations to ATR-72 aircraft on short-haul routes, will be extended from 1,740 metres to 2,750 metres, significantly boosting Mysuru's aviation capacity.

The Airports Authority of India (AAI) had made it clear that the State Government must shoulder the costs of both land acquisition and utility shifting. A prolonged tussle between the State and Centre over funding delayed the project, but with utility shifting costs pegged at Rs. 101.82 crore — including Rs. 70 crore for diverting two ditches and seven canals and Rs. 31.82 crore for re-routing Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) high-tension lines — the State has finally stepped in.

Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh had earlier appealed to the AAI to cover capital expenses, but AAI Chairman Vipin Kumar cited the National Civil Aviation Policy, which mandates that land must be provided "free of cost and free from encumbrances" by the State.

With the stalemate broken, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar welcomed the Cabinet's move, calling it a vital step toward unlocking Mysuru's growth potential.

He announced plans to meet officials to ensure the speedy completion of formalities, emphasising that he had consistently raised the issue with both the Union Civil Aviation Minister and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

"Once the land transfer is complete, I will intensify efforts to push the Centre for comprehensive airport development," Yaduveer said, highlighting his previous meetings with the Union Civil Aviation, Railway and Finance Ministers.

The MP also underscored that continuous coordination between the State and Centre has revived two major projects in Mysuru — the airport expansion and the proposed cricket stadium, both of which had been stuck in bureaucratic limbo for months.

With Cabinet approval now secured, stakeholders are hopeful that the Mysore Airport will soon be equipped to handle larger aircraft and meet the region's growing demand for air connectivity.

ISRO's breakthroughs cement India's leadership in space tech: Roopa

ISRO scientist M.V. Roopa seen delivering a lecture in city as Thathaiah Trust Vice-President N.V. Dinesh, Trust President & Retired Additional Secretary to Government of India C.V. Gopinath and Trust Secretary H. Ashwath Narayan look on.

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (BLU&BCT)- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has firmly established itself as a global powerhouse in space exploration, achieving extraordinary milestones through cutting-edge research and innovation, said ISRO scientist M.V. Roopa.

Delivering a lecture on "Indian Space Research and Aviation Systems" as part of the Thathaiah Memorial Lecture Series at an auditorium on Narayana Shastri Road, Roopa highlighted ISRO's strides towards self-reliance in space technology.

She emphasised that ISRO's achievements have not only propelled India's progress but have also benefited other nations.

"India may rank fifth globally in the use of technology, but ISRO's contribution in sharing innovation with the world has given India a distinguished standing," she noted.

Roopa said that unlike earlier times when communication was delayed, today information is transmitted instantaneously, ensuring global connectivity.

She urged other nations to emulate ISRO's model in driving technological transformation. India, she said, is steadily advancing by adopting essential technologies critical for holistic national development, positioning itself at the forefront of global space innovation.

Roopa also stressed the critical importance of precision time management, a vital component across sectors like satellite launches, agriculture, mining, banking and maritime operations.

"Gone are the days of measuring time in seconds. Today, time is tracked in nanoseconds, enabling instant communication and operations," she remarked.

Highlighting the pace of technological evolution, Roopa called for greater efforts to make these advancements accessible to the broader public.

Retired Additional Secretary to the Government of India, C.V. Gopinath, Thathaiah Trust Vice-President N.V. Dinesh, and Secretary H. Ashwath Narayan were present.

Violation of Child Marriage Act attracts stern action, warns DC

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (BS)- Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, who is also the Chairman of District Child Protection Unit, has urged to maintain vigil over the possibilities of child marriages, that are more during Basava Jayanti and Akshaya Tritiya, being celebrated tomorrow (Apr. 30).

G. Lakshmikanth

DC Lakshmikanth Reddy, in a press release has stated that, child marriage which is in practice since ancient days, is a worst ever practice that is being followed in the 21st century. The parents and relatives of the girl aged below 18 years, who fix the matrimonial alliance and organise the marriage, are liable for punishment under Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 (PCMA), that was amended in the year 2016 and came into effect in 2017. The adult bridegroom and his parents will also be treated as guilty in the case and sentenced to rigorous imprisonment not less than for a one-year term and extended up to 2 years or imposed a fine of Rs. 1 lakh or have to serve both imprisonment and pay the fine amount.

This particular Act, empowers the Police officer to file a *suo motu* case, upon receiving the information about child marriage.

It is not just the responsibility of a public servant, but also of the general public to exhibit their will against under aged marriages. The action should be taken against conducting such child marriages at any religious sites or marriage halls, either in a mass marriage ceremony or individual event.

In case of any child marriage, public may inform the helpline number-1098, Police Helpline-112 or District Child Protection Unit- 0821-2543003. The nearby Police Station can also be informed, DC Lakshmikanth Reddy has stated.

Man sentenced to life for suffocating wife to death

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (RK&KS)- The city's 5th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to life imprisonment after he was found guilty of suffocating his wife to death.

The man, who was sentenced to life, is Swamy Nayaka of Boodithittu village in Periyapatna taluk.

Swamy, who was in love with Sowmya, daughter of Mahadevi of Abbalati village, had married her seven years back. After a few months, Swamy, who began to doubt his wife began to pick fights and quarrel with her.

On May 8, 2022, when Mahadevi had come to her daughter's house, Swamy began to quarrel with Sowmya, following which Mahadevi advised Swamy and left for her home on May 9 morning.

But on the same day at 12 noon, Swamy assaulted Sowmya and suffocated her to death using a pillow.

The then Periyapatna Inspector Jagadish, who had registered a murder case, investigated the case and had submitted a chargesheet against Swamy to the Court.

Judge Gururaj Somakkalavar, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found accused Swamy Nayaka guilty of the crime and sentenced him to life imprisonment besides imposing a fine of Rs. 5,000.

B.E. Yogeshwar was the Public Prosecutor in this case.

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Final solution to the evils of Pakistani Terrorism

American President John F. Kennedy in 1963, when granting Winston Churchill US Citizenship said, **"He mobilised the English language and sent it to battle."** Today, following Pakistani terror attack in Pahalgam, Kashmir, on 22nd April, 2025, targeting only Hindus and killing them, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's friend and US President Donald Trump might say on a similar occasion in the future, **'Modi mobilised the *Sanatana Dharma* and sent it to battle.'** That, of course, is when Modi declares war on Pakistan and wins.

When America's symbol of economic power, the Twin Towers (World Trade Centre), were brought down by Muslim terrorist attack on September 11, 2001 (9/11), the then President George Bush Jr., standing at the site holding megaphone said to the spectators, **'Do you hear me? Yes, the whole world can hear me.'**

Likewise, when Prime Minister Modi said from a public platform in English, the whole world heard him. Modi said: **'Today from the soil of Bihar I say to the whole world. India will identify, track and punish every terrorist and their backers. We will pursue them to the ends of the Earth.'**

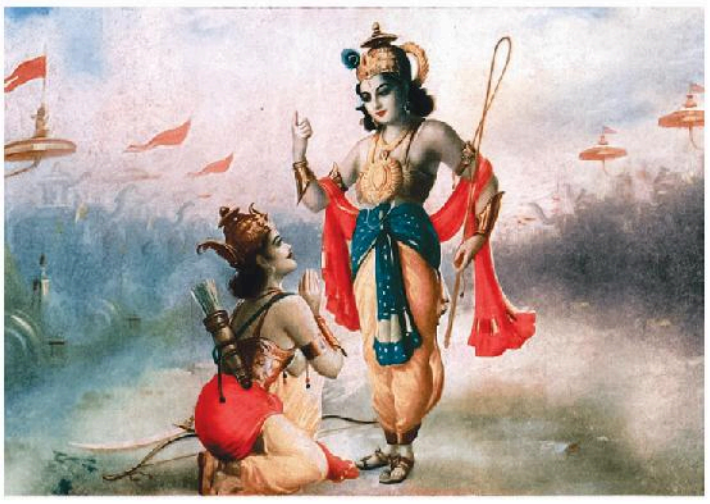
Modi's that speech was like Churchill's famous wartime speech — **We shall go on to the end. We shall fight in the seas and oceans; we shall fight in the air. We shall fight on beaches, landing grounds, in fields, in streets and on the hills. We shall never surrender.**

What Modi said was that the menace of terrorism must end once and for all.

Now the great expectations from the secular nationalist Indians is: When will India go to WAR with Pakistan for a final solution to the perennial problem of terrorism and cook the Pakistani goose?

Narendra Modi

"You Did Everything You Could To Make Peace With. Now Go, Give Them The War They Want"



Bhagavad Gita

THE ORACLE: According to the social media message attributed to one Swamiji, a reverse countdown to Pakistan will begin from 1st of May. Any action that will be taken by India will happen starting from 30th of April to 1st of May. Result: In the East, the Siliguri Corridor, known as Chicken's Neck, will be expanded and added to Indian territory. In the West, POK will be taken back by India and also a strategic Pass running between Bharat-Pakistan-Afghanistan will be taken over by India. Music to the ears of Modi *bhakts*.

Since the day Pahalgam terror attack shook the nation (excepting those Pakistani apologists within India), there was a war cry as a final solution to this barbaric, demonic terror attack targeting only Hindus. Seven days have passed but nation's expectations are on hold except for a minor water war — Indus water.

However, war clouds are gathering over Pakistan. If speed and surprise are the secrets of success in war, India does not seem to believe in these secret weapons. Rather, India seems to believe in what **Marlon Brando** as Godfather Don Vito Corleone in the film *The Godfather* said: **'Revenge is a dessert you best relish when it is cold.'**

It seems Modi is biding his time like a predatory tiger for the present heated atmosphere to cool and then strike to get at the jugular vein of Pakistan itself. Remember Pakistan Army General Asim Munir's speech? Surely India's 'Tukde, Tukde' anti-Indian gang members would be heartbroken as Pakistan will fall apart that its centre, the Army, cannot hold.

At the time of Pahalgam terror attack on 22.4.2025 an important **Congress MP Shashi Tharoor** was in Lakshadweep. According to Tharoor, **'some visible military response is unavoidable'** as a response to the Pahalgam terror attack.

We Indians in the past were so naive and foolish in responding to the recurring terror attacks sponsored by Pakistan, Shashi Tharoor gave one example which is an insult to even an illiterate farmer with common sense. Our Pathankot air-base was attacked on January 2, 2016 (Modi Government). India invited Pakistan to participate in the investigation! They sent their intelligence. We gave them access to our Indian Air Force-base and they went back and said Indians did it to themselves.

Shashi Tharoor concluded: **"I will have no interest personally in Pakistan's participation in any investigation. You do not ask the murderer to investigate his own murders."** Hope, Modi government has become wiser since 2016.

As for the intelligence failure, Tharoor says there is nothing like "foolproof intelligence." The priority now is not the inevitable investigation into intelligence failure but REVENGE. Make Pakistan both militarily and economically weak. A rogue neighbouring State must not be stable and strong. Pakistan is a rogue State.

Poor India with gullible majority Hindus have been kept under the illusion of Pakistan being equal or even more equal to India with its **Islamic** bomb, American fighter jets and physically stronger soldiers etc., making our political leaders forget that we too have **secular** bombs, uncertain of India's strength for too long.

Indira Gandhi won the war with the blood of our soldiers but Zulfikar Ali Bhutto walked away with the victory trophy. Atal Behari Vajpayee was made to look like a dim wit if not a fool in the Kargil war. As for Dr. Manmohan Singh he was a dummy and a puppet with strings held by a *phoren* madam, the Supreme Leader of India for 10 years. By sheer serendipity, Modi became the Prime Minister and India came out of its stupor and opened its eyes to see the real world.

And he saw some Indians of the old realm warning India to be careful to retaliate against the imagined giant Pakistan. I only hope Modi too will not be caught by the same snare set in the past by the Left liberals since independence. What we need now is a war so that we take back the stolen POK, to borrow the phrase from our Foreign Minister S. Jaishankar.

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National Commission for Women hears public grievances in city

NCW Member Dr. Archana Majumdar chairs meeting

National Commission for Women (NCW) Member Dr. Archana Majumdar (second from left) seen with Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar and others during the meeting held at Abdul Nasir Saab hall in Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Office in Mysuru this morning. Picture right shows a section of the attendees.

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (BLU&BS)- National Commission for Women (NCW), under its 'Mahila Aayog Aapke Dwar' campaign, received grievances from the victims, at Abdul Nasir Saab hall in Zilla Panchayat (ZP) office here this morning.

In a meeting held to hear public grievances under the Chairmanship of NCW Member Dr. Archana Majumdar, several grievances were received, with Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar and Superintendent of Police (SP) N. Vishnuvardhan present at the meeting.

Woman 'tortured' by kin

A woman explained her plight about how she was subjected to sexual harassment by her brother-in-law (elder sister's husband) and continues to be tormented over the property row.

"Our parents have four daughters, with one among them being physically challenged. Two of them were married and our brother-in-law took us along with them, assuring to take care of us. But, he sexually harassed me and also made a sexual assault bid. Following the horrendous experience, I walked out of my sister's house. I had an inter-caste marriage subsequently. But my brother-in-law continues to harass me, by posting abusive messages on social media," the woman alleged.

The woman also brought to the notice of NCW about how she tried to unmask her brother-in-law by sending a video of the latter in the company of another woman, to her sister. But, her sister and brother-in-law instead lodged a case against her (complainant) at Cyber, Economic and Narcotics Crime (CEN) Police Station.

Commission's assurance

NCW Member Archana Majumdar, who assured to take action on the case of sexual harassment, suggested the victim to move Court regarding the property dispute.

Following the directions issued by Dr. Majumdar, Police Inspector (PI) present at the meeting, brought to the notice of the Commission that, HSR Layout Police in Bengaluru have already registered a case in this regard.

"If a complaint is lodged at our Station, we will definitely act on the complaint," the PI assured.

Suicide or murder?

A man hailing from Mandya, blamed the Police for keeping him in haze over the circumstances surrounding the death of his daughter, who reportedly committed suicide.

Following which, Dr. Archana Majumdar directed the Police to investigate and file a report within 15 days.

Earlier, the man said "My daughter was doing well after she got a job in Bengaluru. We were also relieved over her growth in life after completing the studies. One day, we heard about she falling to death from the fifth floor of her apartment and the Police treated it as a suicide case."

She couldn't have taken such a extreme step, as she was mentally strong, without showing any sign of weakness to end her life. It seems somebody may have murdered her, he alleged.

Missing family found dead

The car being lifted from the VC Canal this morning.

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Kumaraswamy's wife, Sushma, filed a missing person's report at K.R. Nagar Police Station on Apr. 19, while a separate complaint was registered at Madanayakanahalli Police Station in Bengaluru.

Kumaraswamy, son of Ramegowda from Vinayaka Layout in K.R. Nagar, worked as a vegetable trader and lived with his family in Nandaramaiahna Palya, Bengaluru. The couple had recently decided to move back permanently to their hometown in K.R. Nagar.

On Apr. 17, Kumaraswamy left Bengaluru in his Santro car (KA-02-MB-6120) with the two children, intending to visit his parents in K.R. Nagar and leave the children with them temporarily.

However, instead of proceeding directly to K.R. Nagar, Kumaraswamy reportedly diverted the vehicle to KRS Dam, as confirmed in a phone call to his wife Sushma that evening.

He assured her he would continue to K.R. Nagar the following day (Apr. 18) to leave the children with his parents and return to Bengaluru for the house shifting purpose.

That was the last communication from Kumaraswamy to his wife in the last 13 days. His phone was subsequently switched off, and neither he nor the children reached their destination. The car also remained untraceable, prompting the missing person reports.

Authorities now suspect the vehicle may have plunged into the VC Canal in Pandavapura taluk. As the submerged car surfaced last evening, divers and swimmers were mobilised this morning, and the car was lifted to the Canal banks with the help of a crane.

The KRS Police have confirmed that bodies are being extricated from the car and will be shifted to K.R. Hospital for post-mortem.

Investigators have not yet determined whether the incident was a suicide or an accident. The family members have reached the place where the car was found and they are recording their statements with the Police.

The KRS Police Station team is leading the investigation to determine the exact circumstances behind this incident.

Mysuru prepares for NEET exam on May 4

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (BCT)- Mysuru district is gearing up to conduct the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test — NEET (UG) — across 20 centres on May 4, with 7,709 students expected to appear.

Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy chaired a preparatory meeting at the DC Office this morning to ensure the smooth conduct of the medical entrance test.

During the meeting, Reddy stressed the need for flawless execution of the examination, which serves as the gateway to medical and dental courses nationwide.

He directed officials to implement all necessary measures for the fair and disruption-free conduct of the test.

The examination will follow strict guidelines set by the National Testing Agency (NTA). Officials overseeing the process were instructed to comply meticulously with all protocols. As an additional security measure, Police personnel will be stationed at each examination centre.

Kendriya Vidyalaya principals Nutan Punj and Mithilesh Kumar, along with College Principals and various district-level officials, were present.

The DC emphasised the importance of error-free administration of this crucial examination.

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AI can never replace doctors' humane values: Dr. Achal Gulati

208 MBBS graduates receive Graduation Certificates at JSS-AHER; 12 Gold Medals, 11 cash prizes distributed

Mysuru, Apr. 29 (MK&BS)- In all, 208 MBBS graduates received their graduation certificates at Graduates Reception, organised by JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS-AHER) at JSS Medical College, Shivarathreeshwara Nagar in the city recently.

Dr. Achal Gulati, Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Medical Sciences and Technology University, Jaipur, who distributed degree certificates to the students said, "Artificial Intelligence (AI) is beneficial only for collating information and research works, but it cannot be an alternative for doctors who are imbibed with humanitarian values."

"The MBBS graduates have just been initiated into the first chapter of medical field. Learning is a continuous process in life and the doctors should develop the habit of learning and the courage to face the challenges. In this competitive world, those possessed with skills get priority and one should focus in this regard. Be grateful to your parents, guardians, teachers and institutions for making you a doctor and work towards building a healthy country," advised Dr. Gulati.

Time doesn't wait for anybody, hence time management assumes significance. We should adapt to new systems and methods. Most importantly, the training before hand is essential, especially in this digital era. Apart from meeting the target, the focus should be on maintaining the community health too, along with individual well-being, he said.

Gold medallists

A total of 12 Gold Medals and 11 cash prizes were distributed to the meritorious graduates—Dr. Nimisha Sinha from Patna in Bihar topped the list of Gold Medal winners, by securing 6 gold medals and 3 cash prizes, followed by Dr. Isha Kumtekhar of Maharashtra, 2 gold medals and 4 cash prizes, Dr. Udisha Arya, Uttar Pradesh, 2 gold medals and 2 cash prizes, Dr. R. Keerthana, Kerala, 1 gold medal and 1 cash prize, Dr. Vaishnavi Bharadwaj, Uttar Pradesh, 1 gold medal and Dr. Shrishti Kishore, Delhi, 1 cash prize. Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graced the ceremony.

Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeetha Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Pro-Chancellor of JSS AHER Dr. B. Suresh, Vice-Chancellor of JSS AHER Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Registrar Dr. B. Manjunatha, Principal of JSS Medical College Dr. D. Narayanappa, Vice-Principal Dr. M.N. Suma, Dr. Praveen Kulkarni, Dr. M. Mahanthappa and Administrative Officer S.R. Satish Chandra were present.

Early diagnosis of speech, hearing disorders vital, CHOs told

Mysuru, Apr. 29 - The Office of District Health Officer (DHO), Mysuru, in collaboration with All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, conducted a one-day orientation programme for Community Health Officers (CHOs) of the district on early identification of speech and hearing disorders.

The programme was conducted as part of the commemoration of World Hearing Day 2025 and coordinated by the Department of Prevention of Communication Disorders (POCD), AIISH.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. M. Sandeep, Professor of Audiology and HoD-POCD, AIISH, Mysuru.

In his address, Dr. Sandeep highlighted the joint venture between AIISH and the DHO, emphasising the importance of empowering CHOs in the early identification of hearing loss.

He elaborated on the high burden of hearing disability in India and stressed the need for early intervention, particularly in the Indian context, where timely diagnosis and management can significantly improve quality of life.

Prof. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH, delivered the presidential address, underscoring AIISH's global leadership in speech and hearing sciences.

She detailed the various facilities available at AIISH for assessment and management of persons with disabilities and emphasised AIISH's commitment to collaborating with the district health office to develop and implement effective community-based health delivery models.

She assured that AIISH is ready to contribute to the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness (NPPCD) by developing early intervention frameworks at the grassroots level.

Dr. S. Gopinath, District Family Welfare Officer, Mysuru, spoke about the importance of promoting speech and hearing disorder identification in Mysuru.

He expressed his keen interest in collaborating with AIISH to develop an early identification and intervention model that could be implemented nationwide.

He encouraged CHOs to actively participate in the training sessions to enhance their skills and contribute effectively to community health initiatives.

Dr. Shiraz Ahmed, District Reproductive and Child Health Officer and Dr. Nagaraj, District Surveillance Officer, shared valuable insights on the significance of early screening and intervention of persons with hearing loss.

'Prabhigyan 2025' Inter-Collegiate Fest held at MMK&SDM College

Mysuru, Apr. 29- 'Prabhigyan 2025,' a two-day Inter-Collegiate Fest was organised by the Student Welfare Committee under the leadership of Jyothi Lakshmi G. Kava, Student Welfare Officer, at MMK&SDM Mahila Maha Vidyalaya in city recently.

The event was held in the college premises in the presence of all staff and students from all streams. Degree College Principal Prof. N. Bharathi, PU College Principal Prof. Nayana Kumari, IQAC Coordinator K.S. Sukrutha and Cultural Committee Coordinator Dr. Vinoda were present.

Kusuma Ayarahalli, a renowned writer and journalist, was the special guest on the inaugural day. The first day of the event Vigyan Sangram - comprised Science, Commerce and Management competitions with Prashanth Jain & Shivabeerappa and K.S. Sukrutha & Atiya Sameen as faculty coordinators.

Bigg Boss ***Kannada Season 11 contestant-actor G. Rajath Kishan and renowned actor-model Abhishek Das seen during the valedictory of 'Prabhigyan 2025' at MMK&SDM Mahila Maha Vidyalaya in city recently.***

A total of 121 participants from 26 various colleges participated in Tech Trek: Brainstorming & Coding, Gurutva: Photography, Showcase Your Vision: E-Poster Presentation Challenge, Chem-Titans: Quiz Competition, Nitikrithi - A Business Plan, Nayak -The Best Manager, Pravarthana - The Marketing, Dhananithii - Finance, Manava Samsadhana - The HR.

The second day of the event had Sourabha - Cultural and Literary competitions with Dr. Vinoda & Ujwala Shetty as faculty coordinators. A total of 137 participants from 30 various colleges participated in Swaram - Singing, Naadham - Instrumental, Thandavam - Dance, Vadanam - Face Painting, Sahithya Sutra - Literary, Soudhamini - Flash Fiction and Nikashopala - General Quiz.

The Jury members from different institutions and organisations declared the Winner and Runner prizes for each competition. Certificates were given to each participant. The overall Champions were decided by the tabulation committee including IQAC coordinator as one of the members.

Bigg Boss Kannada Season 11 contestant-actor G. Rajath Kishan was the chief guest and renowned actor - model Abhishek Das was the special guest during the valedictory function.

The chief guest and special guest distributed the cash prizes and certificates to all the winners and runners. The Overall Championship was won by the Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru.

Cinerama-2025, National-level Short Film Festival held at Amrita

Young film-makers must explore new and innovative platforms to exhibit films: T.N. Seetharam

Mysuru, Apr. 29- "Cinema is not just a mirror, it is one's own and society's reflection. Telling stories that carry social concern will resonate more deeply with the audience," opined T.N. Seetharam, Veteran Director, Writer and Actor.

He was speaking after inaugurating Cinerama-2025, a National-level Short Film Festival organised by the Department of Visual Communication, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru campus, recently at its premises in Bogadi II Stage. Seetharam addressed the challenges faced by the film industry and urged budding filmmakers to adapt to the changing times.

"The number of film-goers going to theatres is decreasing. Now is the time to think of alternative mode to reach the audience," he emphasised and advised young film-makers to explore new and innovative platforms to exhibit their films.

"Rather than waiting for traditional avenues, find your own alternative to reach audiences. The story that touches the heart is what makes the best film," he remarked. He compared short films to poetry, just as feature films likened to novels.

Veteran Director, Writer and Actor T.N. Seetharam (third from right) inaugurating 'Cinerama-2025' at Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru campus recently. Picture right shows actress Milana Nagaraj presenting Best Short Film Award (1st Place) to Parag Pradip Sawant for his Marathi film 'Where We Lived,' during the valedictory along with Amrita Mysuru Principal Prof. G. Ravindranath.

Seetharam also touched upon the growing presence of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in creative industries. While acknowledging its role in ideation, he cautioned against over-dependence on technology. "AI can assist, but it cannot replace the depth of human emotions that cinema demands," he said.

Brahmachari Anantaananda Chaitanya, Director, Mysuru Campus; Brahmachari Muktidamrta Chaitanya, Correspondent, Mysuru Campus; Prof. G. Ravindranath, Principal, Amrita, Mysuru; Dr. Moulya Baladi, Chairperson, Department of Visual Communication and others were present on the occasion.

Actress Milana Nagaraj gives away Awards

Cinerama - 2025 concluded successfully with actress Milana Nagaraj, who was the chief guest, giving away awards to winners in various categories at the valedictory function.

The festival featured screening of top shortlisted films, which garnered an overwhelming response from budding film-makers across India, with around 70 entries from different institutions and Universities. Prizes for the participants included certificates, mementos and cash awards worth over 1 lakh rupees.

C.R. Hanumanth of DRC Cinemas; Prof. G. Ravindranath, Principal; Br. Anantaananda Chaitanya, Director, Amrita Mysuru; Br. Muktidamrta Chaitanya, Correspondent, Amrita Mysuru; Dr. Moulya Baladi, Chairperson, Department of Visual Communication and others were present.

Award winners

Best Short Film: 1st place - Parag Pradip Sawant — *Where We Lived* (Marathi); 2nd - Ragu Aarav — *Hinde Gaali Munde Matthe* (Kannada); 3rd - Nikhil Rajendra Shinde — *Dump Yard* (Marathi); **Best Editor and Best Director:** Parag Pradip Sawant — *Where We Lived* (Marathi).

Best Cinematographer: B.S. Achyuth — *Hinde Gaali Munde Matthe* (Kannada). **Best Performer:** Sandhya Arakere, *Hinde Gaali Munde Matthe* (Kannada); **Best Screenplay:** Sriimani — *Yamak* (Kannada).

60-hour film-making challenge awards

Best Short Film: First place - Suthan Dileep — Lakumi (Kannada); Second place - Archana S. Bhat — Vishpala (Kannada); Third place: Krishna Ranganathan — 4.3.25 (English)

Separate categories of Amrita Awards were presented to students of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru, to encourage and maintain the spirit of film-making.

Pedalling Through History: Cycle Expedition Traces Mysuru's Art Deco Legacy

Mysuru, Apr. 29- In a celebration of the city's rich architectural heritage, the Mysore School of Architecture (MSA) and Mysore School of Design, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Architects (IIA), Mysuru Chapter, hosted a unique Art Deco Cycle Expedition on Saturday.

The event, aimed at introducing Mysuru's Art Deco treasures to the public, saw enthusiastic participation from architecture professionals, students and heritage enthusiasts.

The cycling tour was led by noted conservation architect Ravi Gundurao, who guided participants through a curated route highlighting Mysuru's lesser-known Art Deco buildings. The expedition kicked off from the City Railway Station, where Gundurao provided an overview of architectural styles, gradually focusing on the emergence of Art Deco. Participants were introduced to the Station's distinctive blend of traditional design with subtle Art Deco elements, most notably in the iconic Clock Tower.

Art Deco, a style that flourished globally in the 1920s and 1930s after World War I, is characterised by geometric forms, bold colours, luxurious materials and stylized motifs like sunbursts and fountains. In India, the style arrived in the 1930s, often merging Western modernity with Indian cultural motifs, creating a unique architectural vocabulary.

The expedition next visited the South Western Railway Office, where Gundurao explained the use of narrow corridors, colonnades and Art Deco touches such as stylized capitals and curved façades — features that lend the massive structure a unique charm. Participants also explored old hotels along Dhanvantri Road, where the defining curves, parapets and symmetrical window designs of Art Deco were evident. The tour highlighted the significant role of Art Deco in cinema architecture, visiting landmarks such as Chamundeshwari, Prabha, Opera, Olympia, Gayathri, Lakshmi, Shanatala and Padma theatres — all designed in the characteristic style of the period.

The Mysore Co-operative Bank and several historic residences within a five-kilometre radius of Mysore Palace were also part of the trail. Cyclists admired features such as curved façades, vertical fins, streamlined stair towers and signature sunburst-patterned metal railings.

On Shivarampet Road, participants received insights into the traditional mixed-use urban fabric, where commercial activities thrived on the ground floor while families lived above. Gundurao also expressed concern over the ongoing loss of many Art Deco structures due to rapid urban development. The journey concluded at Chikka Gadiyara, with participants expressing their satisfaction at having discovered new facets of Mysuru's architectural legacy.

Dr. Champa, Director and Dean of MSA, thanked the participants and announced the next event in the Art Deco series — **a Photography Exhibition and Panel Discussion to be held on May 9 and 10, 2025 at Heritage House, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru. The exhibition will be open from 10 am to 7 pm on both days for all the citizens.**

Artists, students, professionals and heritage enthusiasts are invited to submit photographs focused on 'Art Deco' by May 4, 2025 to *events@msa.edu.in*

For information, interested individuals may contact Mob: 93644-12893 or visit *https://msa.edu.in*

WORD OF THE DAY

Nonchalant

Pronunciation: nahn-shuh-LAHNT (Adjective)
Meaning: Someone described as nonchalant is relaxed and calm, either because they do not care about something or because they are not worried about something. Nonchalant can also be used to describe something, such as demeanor or behavior, that expresses such relaxed, calm unconcern.
Origin: Since nonchalant ultimately comes from words meaning "not" and "be warm," it's no surprise that the word is all about keeping one's cool. Nonchalant's Old French ancestor is the verb nonchaloir, meaning "to disregard," which combines non-, meaning "not," with chaloir, meaning "to concern." Chaloir in turn traces back to the Latin calēre, meaning "to be warm" (calēre is also the forerunner of the heat-related English word calorie). You might assume that the prefix non- implies the existence of an antonymous chalant, but no such word has developed in English. It's no big deal though — if you want a word that means the opposite of nonchalant, both concerned and interested can do the job.
Example: "He is largely unaffected by the fame and fortune and all the talk of greatness tends to be greeted with a nonchalant shrug." —The Evening Times (Glasgow, Scotland), 19 Mar. 2024.

THE ODD WORD

Xeric

Needing only minimal moisture

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Green Thumb

Meaning: 'Green Thumb' means to be skilled at gardening.
Origin: Not surprisingly, the origin of the idiom "green thumb" has its roots buried deep in the garden. The term, which is sometimes quite literal, is associated with England's King Edward I, who enjoyed eating fresh green peas and who has been said to regularly give prizes to the serf who could display the greenest thumb from shelling them.
Example: "Catelyn has a green thumb - she can make the desert bloom!!"

QUOTE BOX

Nobody who ever gave his best regretted it.— **George Halas**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

MILLENOTNNIUM

Answer: Not In A Thousand Years.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 ___ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie
4 Mule's father
7 Russian prison camp
9 Spicy tomato sauce
12 ___ seeds : peas, beans, etc.?
13 Lawman Earp
14 Bad-tempered
15 Quick and crafty
17 Ever, poetically curtailed
18 ___ __ favours : be not indebted to, in a way? (3,2)
20 Indian dish
21 ___ gun : a type of machine gun?
22 Roman eight
23 Education
27 Single cut
28 Stratagem or trick
29 Viper of Cleopatra fame
30 Negligence for which one is liable
32 Comparative words (2,1)
35 One of Jim Henson's creations
37 Source
39 Mix two chemicals in a test tube, perhaps?
40 Inner covering
41 First name of comedian Large
42 Foot joint
43 Camera type
44 Airline-Selected Equip.

DOWN

1 Soothsayer or prophet
2 Mineral used in purification of water
3 Military protection
4 "As awn" anagram for a famous dam
5 Authorization (3-2)
6 A narrow strip of wood or metal
7 "American Gigolo" star Richard ___
8 Domestic water heater
10 Artist's workshop
11 Achieve
12 Large, abbr.
16 High priest of Shiloh
19 Small projecting ridge, etc.
21 Mayawati's party
22 Contend with
23 Protect financially
24 Pinched or bit
25 Furnace for melting metals
26 Russian empress
27 U.S. Govt. Uncle ___
30 Boy's name - "El ICC" anagram ?
31 Speak or say
32 Spry
33 Trigonometric term
34 Director __ Lee
36 Protectors for the batsman
38 Writing fluids

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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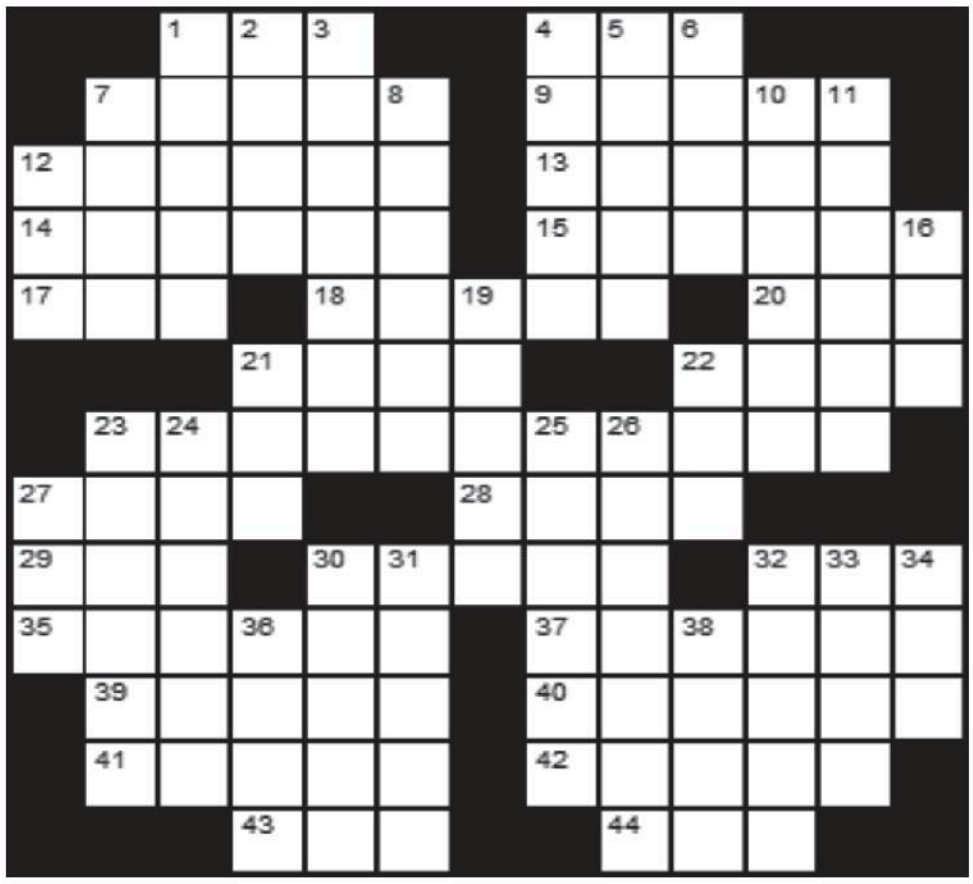

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Answer to previous puzzle

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4	6	5	8	9	3	2	1	7
7	9	2	1	3	4	8	5	6
1	8	6	5	7	2	4	9	3
5	3	4	9	6	8	1	7	2
8	4	9	2	5	7	3	6	1
3	2	7	4	1	6	9	8	5
6	5	1	3	8	9	7	2	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HZ DSQJKR QJV HZ DSQJKR MZE HSR IRHHRE

QER HYZ VFMMRERJH HSFJKN.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you can read this, I can slam on my brakes and sue you!

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- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Gangers (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Dasarahalli (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Firefly (K) - 2 Shows; *Good Bad Ugly (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
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- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
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Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	(S-1)	10.10 am
	(S-2)	4.05 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin-3D)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 4.05 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	(S-1)	7 pm, 10.20 pm
Gandhada Gudi 1973 (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Firefly (K)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	(S-3)	10.25 am
Gangers (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 7.10 pm
Saragapani Jathakam (Te)	(S-3)	10 pm
Until Dawn (E)	(S-4)	11 am, 7.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm
Ground Zero (H)	(S-4)	4.30 pm

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Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	1.10 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.15 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	3.55 pm
Sarangapani Jathakam (Te)	:	4.15 pm
Gangers (Ta)	:	6.15 pm, 9.15 pm

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Jaat (H)	:	10 am
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	10 am, 12.50 pm, 6.35 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	10.10 am, 2.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Gandhada Gudi (1973) (K)	:	11 am
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	11.05 am, 4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
Ground Zero (H)	:	12.35 pm, 3.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	1.15 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	2.15 pm
Sachein (Ta)	:	3.30 pm
Dasarahalli (K)	:	4.50 pm
Dhoom 2 (H)	:	5 pm
Andaz Apna Apna (H)	:	6.45 pm
Firefly (K)	:	7.25 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	7.30 pm
Good Bad Ugly (Ta)	:	9.45 pm
Sikandar (H)	:	10 pm
Sarangapani Jathakam (Ta)	:	10.30 pm

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Ground Zero (H)	:	9.20 am, 4.20 pm, 6.05 pm, 10.15 pm
Gangers (Ta)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm, 7.15 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	10.25 am, 12.15 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin -3D)	:	11.40 am, 5.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	1.30 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	2.40 pm, 8.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Firefly (K)	:	3.15 pm, 9 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	7.15 pm

New Pontiff's Sanyasa Deeksha at Kanchi Mutt tomorrow

Sri Ganesha Sharma Dravid

Kanchipuram, Apr. 29- Shri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetadhipati Jagadguru Pujyashri Shankara Vijayendra Saraswathi Shankaracharya Swamigal will bless *Sanyasa Deeksha* to Sri Duddu Satya Venkata Surya Subrahmanya Ganesha Sharma Dravid on the auspicious *Akshaya Tritiya* day (Apr. 30) at Kanchipuram.

The sacred event coincides with the 2534th Jayanti Mahotsavam (May 2, 2025) of Jagadguru Adi Shankaracharya who established Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam in the year 482 BCE.

Sri Ganesha Sharma Dravid, aged 25 and a Rig Vedic Scholar (Salakshana Ghanapati) from Annavaram Kshetra, Andhra Pradesh, served at Sri Gnana Saraswathi Devasthanam, Basara, Nirmal District, Nizamabad, Telangana. He has had the blessings of Pujya Shri Shankaracharya Swamigal of Shri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam, right from his time of initiation into Vedic studies in 2006.

Sri Ganesha Sharma Dravid has also completed Yajurveda, Samaveda, Shadangas, Dashopanishat and has been pursuing Shastric studies.

Special pujas in Mysuru

The devotees of Kanchi Kamakoti Mutt, Mysuru, have welcomed the announcement of the new Peetadhipati. Mysore Kanchi Mutt premises and Kanchi Kamakshi Aramane Rama Temple (near Marimallappa School) will be celebrating *Sanyasa Deeksha* of the Pontiff with special pujas at Mysuru Temple from 6.30 pm.

Prasadam from *Sanyasa Deeksha* will be available for devotees. For details, contact Badri Krishnan on **Mob: 73383-91391.**

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 29)

- **Co-curriculum Activities Committee, University Evening College:** Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's 134th birth anniversary, Dr. M.T. Krishnamurthy of D. Banumaiah's Independent PU College inaugurates, University Evening College Principal Prof. V. Shanmugham presides, Co-curriculum Activities Committee Convenor Dr. Ningaraju will be present, Room No. 21, New Building, University Evening College, **6 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya:** Bhagini Sangeethotsava, vocal concert by Vid. TNS Krishna & troupe, School Auditorium, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Nandu Associates, Mysuru and Nrityagiri - Academy of Performing Arts & Research Centre, Mysuru:** 'Bhavaspoorthi' in memory of late Chandrakanta, mother of K.C. Nandakumar of Nandu Associates; Sugama Sangeetha programme by Vidu. K. Bhagyalakshmi and H.L. Nagashree, accompanied by Ganesh Bhat on keyboard, Atmaram Nayak on tabla and Sujayendra Rao on rhythm pad, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 30)

- **District Administration and the Department of Kannada & Culture:** Basava Jayanti celebrations, Sri Chidananda Swamiji of Sri Hosmutt graces the occasion, Social Welfare and District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presides, MPs Yaduveer Wadiyar and Sunil Bose, MLAs Tanveer Sait, G.T. Devegowda, D. Ravishankar, T.S. Srivatsa, Darshan Dhruvanarayan & G.D. Harish Gowda, MLCs A.H. Vishwanath, Dr. D. Thimmaiah, C.N. Manjegowda, Madhu G. Madegowda, Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah and K. Vivekananda guests, Animal Husbandry Minister K. Venkatesh, Karnataka State Jungle Lodges and Resorts Chairman and H.D. Kote MLA Anil Chikkamadu, CESC Chairman and Srirangapatna MLA Ramesh Babu Bandisiddegowda, Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman Ayub Khan, CADA Chairman Mariswamy, Karnataka State Guarantees Implementation Authority Vice-Chairperson Dr. Pushpa Amarnath and Kannada Book Authority Chairman Dr. Manasa will be present, city writer and researcher Dr. Rajashekara Jamadandi delivers the main speech, Kalamandira, **11 am.**
- **Kumar Performing Arts Centre (KPAC), Mysuru:** 3rd Annual World Dance Day celebration, 56th International Nirantara Kalemane Festival, 'Kalemane Kalashree' Award Ceremony, ISKCON Temple (Mysuru) Vice-President Sri Karunya Sagara Dasa inaugurates, Kalemane Sabhaangana, Hebbal 2nd Stage, **3.30 pm.**

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Gandhada Gudi (1973) (K)	:	10 am
Until Dawn (E)	:	11.10 am, 4.35 pm
Amara Premi Arun (K)	:	12.40 pm
Kesari Chapter 2 (H)	:	1.20 pm, 10 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	1.35 pm, 7 pm
Firefly (K)	:	3.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	4.15 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	7.30 pm
Andaz Apna Apna (H)	:	10.30 pm

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Ground Zero (H)	:	10.05 am, 4 pm, 10.30 pm
Firefly (K)	:	10.35 am, 6.55 pm
Yuddhakaanda Chapter 2 (K)	:	1 pm, 4.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Thudarum (Ma)	:	1.25 pm 09:45 pm
Until Dawn (E)	:	2.10 pm, 7.35 pm
Ne Zha 2 (Mandarin - 3D)	:	4.35 pm, 10 pm
Gangster Alla Prankster (K)	:	4.40 pm
Alappuzha Gymkhana (Ma)	:	7.20 pm

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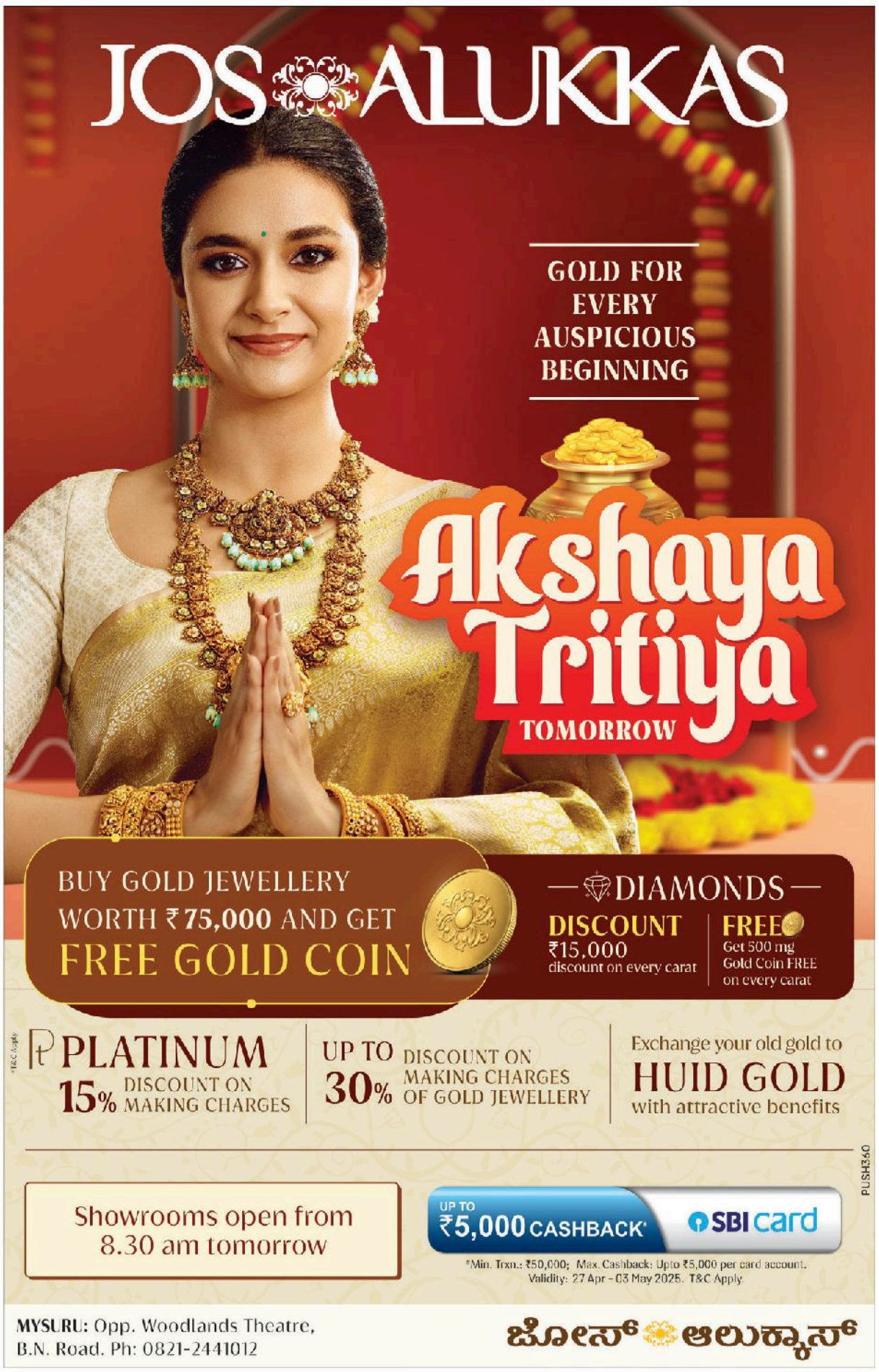
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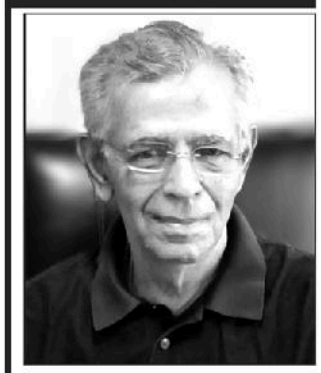

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